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6801 Hollywood Blvd. #169
Hollywood, Ca. 90028 (323) 465-
0122

HBID ARREST NUMBER: 14-0888

DEFENDANT:

Lofton, Frank Curtis
Cal - I.D. A9567387

DOB:

02/03/74

ARREST CODE:

PC594 Vandalism

DATE:

09/15/14

TIME:

1500
Hours

VICTIM:

City of Los Angeles
1358 N. Wilcox
Los Angeles CA. 90028
(213)972-2971

WITNESS

Tenorio, Gerard
Security Guard
1122 N. Vine Street
Los Angeles, CA. 90028

DOB:

07/14/82

OFFICER: Anderson, D. # 127

OFFICER: Sewell, S. # 111

OFFICER: Trujillo, R. # 136

OFFICER: Melvin, R. # 110

SOURCE OF ACTIVITY:

On Monday, September 15, 2014, I (Officer Anderson #127) was working as contracted, uniformed security officers for the Hollywood Business Improvement District (H.B.I.D.) / Andrews International 6801 Hollywood Boulevard Hollywood, CA. 90028 (323) 465-0122. I was deployed as B-6.

At approximately 1500 hours I was dispatched to a radio call regarding a male black adult, described wearing a black T-shirt and green camouflage pants, vandalizing a city tree located directly in front of the Social Security Office (1122 Vine Street, Los Angeles CA. 90028).

BACKGROUND:

Officers "Daily Activity Log Entry" 09/15/14: 1200 - 1230 hours.

Location Check: 1123 S. Vine Street: Tree vandalism in front of the Stop n Shop liquor store. Officers interviewed Stop and shop cashier "K" who stated

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that he did not witness the recent vandalism of the city tree located in front of his business (Stop and Shop Market). Officers then responded to the Social Security Office located directly across the street from the Stop and Shop Market. Officers interviewed Social Security Office, Security Guard Tenorio, Gerard who stated that he did not witness any trees being vandalized across the street near the Stop and Shop Market. Officers advised Security Guard Tenorio to call the BID if he observes any tree vandalisms.



INVESTIGATION:

Upon arrival I observed a male black adult (Later identified as Lofton, Frank Curtis DOB: 02/04/74) that fit the description of the vandalism suspect walking north bound on Vine Street at Fountain Avenue on the east sidewalk.

I monitored Lofton from my patrol vehicle while BID Dispatch, Officer Melvin requested an LAPD Hollywood Patrol Unit to conduct a vandalism investigation on Lofton. LAPD Unit 6A63, Officers Ritchie # 35737 and Anaya # 40012 responded to my location (1413 Vine Street, the McDonalds Restaurant). I directed Officers Ritchie and Anaya to Lofton's location inside of the McDonalds. Officers Ritchie and Anaya detained Lofton and conducted a vandalism investigation.

BID Unit FB-2, Officers Sewell and Trujillo responded to the Social Security Office and interviewed Witness Tenorio. Tenorio stated that he observed a male black adult (Later identified as Lofton, Frank Curtis DOB: 02/04/74 by Witness Tenorio) walk up to the city planted tree near the front entrance of the Social Security Office and break the top of the tree completely off and throw it on the ground. Tenorio advised that Lofton then fled north bound on Vine Street. Tenorio advised that he was unable to leave his security post in order to possibly identify the suspect detained at the McDonalds (Lofton). Tenorio further advised that the Social Security Office, exterior security cameras caught the suspect committing the vandalism.

After Lofton was detained by LAPD, I took a photo of Lofton and sent the photo

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via text message to Officer Trujillo's personal cell phone. Officer Trujillo displayed the photo of Lofton to Tenorio. Tenorio stated that the person depicted in the text message photo was indeed the male black adult that vandalized the tree located in front the Social Security Office.

LAPD Officers Ritchie and Anaya transported Lofton back to the Social Security Office where Tenorio positively identified Lofton in person as the person who vandalized the city planted tree, located near the front entrance of the Social Security Office. Tenorio advised LAPD Officers Ritchie and Anaya that he wished to place Lofton under private persons arrest for Vandalism.

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LAPD Officers Anaya # 40012 and Ritchie # 35737 advised Lofton that he was being placed under "Private Person's Arrest", as per 837 Penal Code - (Private Person's Arrest - Authority To Arrest / see attached form) for PC594 - Vandalism).

BOOKING:

Officer Trujillo #136 and I Officer Anderson #127 viewed the Social Security Office exterior camera, video footage which clearly captures Lofton vandalizing the city tree that is planted near the front entrance of the Social Security Office.

Lofton was booked at Hollywood Station for PC 594 with the approval of Hollywood Division Watch Commander SGT. Slater.

ADDITIONAL:

Lofton has two prior contact / arrest with the BID Office.

Officers have been briefed in roll call regarding over twenty Jacaranda trees that have been vandalized in the Vine Street corridor over the past several months.

EVIDENCE / PHOTO:

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INJURY AND MEDICAL TREATMENT:

Lofton had no complained of or visible injuries.